GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
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KOLKATA METRO RAIL SYSTEM
SRIKANTA DATTA NARASIMHARAJA WADIYAR

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that Metro Rail Transport Kolkata is not being managed effectively and required extra vigilance for upkeep and efficient maintenance and management;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether any possibility has been explored to introduce Metro Rail Transport System in Mumbai and Chennai; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTEER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) & (b) Metro Railway, Calcutta is being managed effectively. Due vigilance is being observed for its upkeep and efficient management.

(c) & (d) The Railways have not explored any possibility for underground Metro Rail system in Chennai. However, the Metropolitan Transport Project (Railways)/Mumbai had, in 1975, identified a 27.41 km long Metro Rail system in Mumbai called"7th Corridor", from Kolaba to Kurla, with a spur to the Airport. The system included an underground stretch of 19.01 km. The estimated cost of the project was Rs.448.43 crore at 1974-75 price level. Due to constraint of resources, the proposal could not be followed up.